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¹In the subconscious of the triad there are all the experiences man has had and worked up, all the qualities and abilities he has acquired. The triad subconscious is also the sum total of the illusions, fictions, and mistakes in life of past incarnations.

²We overrate as well as underrate the importance of the subconscious. There is so much that is due to the opportunities the new incarnation provides to contact anew what we have once mastered. Being born into circumstances that directly counteract our developed basic instinct, we may go most seriously astray.

³The power of the subconscious is immense, the result of the monad's emotional and mental consciousness activity in the envelopes – put on and put off – of thousands of incarnations. If, moreover, the basic tendencies of its individual character are strengthened in the present incarnation, that character will not change. A deviating tendency in a new life can make itself felt if it is particularly cultivated, but there is a risk that we in old age “relapse” into old emotionality without noticing it.

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